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SUBJ: INTERNATIONAL FUND FOR AGRICULTURAL DEVELOPMENT
(IFAD)

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1. PER INSTRUCTION REFTTEL, MISSION OFFICER DISCUSSED
AUGUST 29 QUESTION OF IFAD MULTIPLE VICE PRESIDENTS
WITH RESPONSIBLE EC COMMISSION OFFICIAL (HOGUET, DG
VIII). HOGUET HAD NOT RECEIVED REPORT FROM EC
DELEGATION CONCERNING INFORMAL DISCUSSION THIS ISSUE
AT JULY PREPCOM, BUT HE INDICATED THAT COMMISSION'S
PRESENT INCLINATION WAS TO SUPPORT THE ADDITION OF A
SECOND VICE PRESIDENT TO BE NOMINATED FROM AMONG
CATEGORY III MEMBERS. THIS WOULD LEND APPEARANCE OF
INSTITUTIONAL HARMONY AND BALANCE, CONSISTENT WITH
TRIPARTITE STRUCTURE OF IFAD. HE STATED THAT
ASSESSMENT OF POLITICAL BENEFITS AND COSTS OF PROVIDING
NON-OIL PRODUCING LDC'S WITH A VICE-PRESIDENCY WEIGHS
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HEAVILY IN FAVOR OF SUCH ACTION, AT LEAST IN THE
COMMISSION'S VIEW.

2. WHILE COMMISSION POSITION DOES NOT YET HAVE
ENDORSEMENT OF MEMBER STATES (PENDING CONSULTATIONS
THIS FALL), RATIONALE, AS EXPLAINED BY COMMISSION
REPRESENTATIVE, IS THAT ONCE HAVING ADOPTED A TRI-

PARTITE STRUCTURE FOR IFAD IT IS TACTICALLY DIFFICULT
(AND POLITICALLY SHORTSIGHTED) NOT TO DISTRIBUTE
OFFICER POSITIONS IN ACCORD WITH THREE CATEGORIES OF
MEMBERSHIP. HOGUET EMPHASIZED THAT WEIGHTED VOTING
MECHANISM WOULD ENSURE PROTECTION OF DONOR INTERESTS,
IN ANY CASE.

3. MISSION OFFICER, IN REBUTTAL, MADE POINTS REFTEL,
PARA 4, LEAVING AIDE MEMOIRE WITH THE COMMISSION.
AS A RESULT, HOGUET PROMISED TO TAKE U.S. POSITION
INTO ACCOUNT BOTH IN DELIBERATIONS WITHIN THE COMMISSION
AND CONSULTATIONS WITH MEMBER STATES THIS FALL. HE
STATED, AS A GENERAL PROPOSITION, THAT MEMBER STATES
ACT INDEPENDENTLY WITH REGARD TO IFAD, AND THUS
COMMISSION, WHICH IN EFFECT HAS ONLY OBSERVER STATUS,
ULTIMATELY MUST FOLLOW THEIR LEAD.MORRIS

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